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For: ABRASION RESISTANT COATING FOR STACKS OF FIBER CEMENT SIDING**Remarks**

The Notice of Allowance mailed December 8, 2006 has been received and reviewed. Claims 35, 37, and 39 having been amended, claims 34, 36, and 38 having been canceled, without prejudice, the pending claims are claims 17-18, 21, 31-33, 35, 37, 39-52. These claims have been canceled or amended to rectify an inconsistency in these claims and claim 17 with respect to the dry thickness of the topcoat layer, which arose in the previous amendment when "at least 8 microns" was added to claim 17. As these amendments do not add new matter or raise new issues, they do not require substantive examination on the part of the Examiner. Please see Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance, filed herewith, for additional comments.

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It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims 17-18, 21, 31-33, 35, 37, 39-52 are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted

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